

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Wayne G. Sainty  
Serial No. :  
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Examiner :  
Attorney Docket : ST001US\_CIP1

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir :

PRELIMINARY SUBMISSION

The Applicant hereby files a new continuation-in-part application claiming benefit from a prior application, Application Serial No. 09/744,205. In anticipation of an adverse Official Action, Applicant respectfully requests that the following submissions be taken into consideration during the examination of the present application.